GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Department of Tribal Welfare – Certain allegations against Sri J. Santhiswara Rao (u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram in the works "Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to Govt. T.W. Ashram School for Boys at Nuthiramannapalem (v) in Buttaigudem(M) in West Godavari District. ESt.Rs.175 Lakh" & "Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to APTW Residential Junior College for Girls at Busarajupalli(V) in Buttaigudem(M) of West Godavari District. Est. cost : Rs.165.00 lakhs" - Initiation of Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S.(CCA) Rules 1991 – Article of Charges – Issued.

DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL WELFARE (SER)

G.O.RT.No. 61 **Dated: 25-04-2025**

Read the following:-

1. Govt.Memo.No.2525148/TW.Ser/A2/2024,dt. 16.08.2024
2. Enquiry report of the EE, TW, QC & Vig,Vijayawada vides Lr.No.5/TW/QC & Vig/ER-5/2024 dt. 26.06.2024.

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O R D E R :

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri J. Santhiswara Rao (u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CCA) Rule, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges.

3. Sri J. Santhiswara Rao (u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defense.

4. Sri J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram is informed that an inquiry will be held in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charges.

5. Sri J. Santhiswara Rao (u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri J. Santhiswara Rao (u/s), the then Executive Engineer,

Tribal welfare, KR Puram is invited to Rule 24 of the APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri J. Santhiswara Rao (u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and that action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this proceedings, may be acknowledged.

M M NAYAK IAS
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri. J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram through Engineer-in-Chief, Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada.

Copy to:

The Engineer-in-Chief, Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada. (with a request to serve the same and furnish the duplicate copy with the acknowledgement of the individual of Officer (with reg. post ack due)

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ANNEXURE - I

Statement of article of charges framed against Sri J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram

Charge 1: In execution of the work "Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to Govt. T.W. Ashram School for Boys at Nuthiramannapalem(v) in Buttaigudem(M) in West Godavari District. ESt.Rs.175 Lakhs"

a. Sri. J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram has Passed CC 1st & Part to CC 4th & Part bills in which erroneous excess payment was made (for steel in CC 3rd & Part bill) due to non adoption of base rates as per reformulated SoR in Working Estimate –I, which shows failure in scrutiny of bill.

b. He submitted the working estimate-I without adopting base rates as per reformulated SoR in contrary to guidelines narrated in GOs related to VAT&GST and caused a loss of Rs.5,84,651/- out of total loss of Rs.21,96,641/- to the Government exchequer.

c. He has failed in communicating the guidelines & connected documents such as authenticated copies of estimates & agreements etc. to the sub divisions & sections.

Charge 2: In execution of the work "Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to APTW Residential Junior College for Girls at Busarajupalli(V) in Buttaigudem(M) of West Godavari District. Est. cost. Rs. 165.00 lakhs"

a. Sri. J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram has failed in Passing CC 1st & Part to CC 5th & Part bills and made payment for items of works without adopting reformulated SoR rates /part rate which shows failure in getting correct scrutiny of bills.

b. He has submitted the working estimate-I without adopting reformulated SoR as per guidelines of GOs related to VAT & GST causing a loss of Rs.5,20,880/- to the Government Exchequer.

c. He has failed in communicating the guidelines & connected documents such as authenticated copies of estimates & agreements etc. to the sub divisions & sections.

Hence the charge, under APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 for violating Rules 3(1) and 3(2) of AP Civil Services Conduct Rules, 1964 for non-devotion to duty, lack of integrity and for behaving in a manner unbecoming of government employee.

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ANNEXURE II

Statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of the article of charges framed against Sri J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram

Basis of the charge: As per the enquiry report of Executive Engineer, QC & Vig, TW, Vijayawada, furnished vide Lr.No.5/TW/QC & Vig/ER-5/2024 dated 26.06.2024, it was clearly established that certain irregularities were committed in execution of the following works:

1. “Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to Govt. T.W. Ashram School for Boys at Nuthiramannapalem(v) in Buttaigudem(M) in West Godavari District. ESt.Rs.175 Lakhs“

2. “Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to APTW Residential Junior College for Girls at Busarajupalli(V) in Buttaigudem(M) of West Godavari District. Est. cost : Rs.165.00 lakhs”

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ANNEXURE III

List of documents by which the Article of charges framed against Sri J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram

1) Enquiry report of the EE, TW, QC & Vig, Vijayawada vide Lr.No.5/TW/QC & Vig/ER-5/2024 dated 26.06.2024.

2)Govt. Memo. No. 2525148/TW.Ser/A2/2024 dated 16.08.2024 of Tribal Welfare Department

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ANNEXURE - IV

List of witnesses by whom the Article of Charges framed against Sri J. Santhiswara Rao(u/s), the then Executive Engineer, Tribal welfare, KR Puram

List of Witnesses: The Executive Engineer, QC & Vig, TW, Vijayawada along with his team enquired into the works "Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to Govt. T.W. Ashram School for Boys at Nuthiramannapalem(v) in Buttaigudem(M) in West Godavari District. Est. cost Rs.175 Lakhs" & "Construction of Additional Infrastructure facilities to APTW Residential Junior College for Girls at Busarajupalli (V) in Buttaigudem (M) of West Godavari District. Est. cost: Rs.165.00 lakhs "Grant: RIDF XXII NABARD".

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